



SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 13, 1895.

THE GAZETTE has for some time past been in receipt at varying intervals of communications from different people living along the entire line of the Leesburg branch of the Southern Railroad, the gist of which is to the following effect: That while wholesale purchasers along that line come or send here for what they want, because they can save money by doing so, the shopping trade of that region with this city amounts to little or nothing, and that one reason for the latter condition is the lack of railroad accommodation, as passengers for Alexandria are compelled to change cars, in good and bad weather alike, and without shelter, at the Junction, and change, too, from a clean and well furnished first class passenger car, to a dirty and ill furnished, half passenger and half freight car, often smelling of tobacco, and into which nicely dressed ladies have to go along with negroes in their working clothes. Indeed, so disagreeable is the transfer that, as stated by a gentleman from Falls Church, two ladies, on one occasion, rather than make it, preferred to walk to the city down the pike. It is hard to regain a trade once lost, but to do so is at least worth a trial, and now that the attention of the railroad company has been called to the matter, it is hoped that its officers will assist the effort by removing the cause of the complaint referred to.

At the recent election in New Jersey many of the negroes waited until near sundown for somebody to buy their votes, and then, because the democrats refused to buy them, voted solely for the republicans. And yet a Richmond newspaper attempts to raise a "friction" because of the alleged use of money at a recent primary near that city. With a "free vote," in a land of unrestricted suffrage, ballots are and, according to human nature, of necessity must be, bought and sold.

AN INCOME TAX was not a direct tax until last Monday. If it shall remain one, the Constitution should be changed so as not to prohibit its collection. That the framers of the Constitution never intended that an American citizen living abroad should not pay a cent toward the support of the government that protects thirty-six million worth of his real estate in New York City, while the poorest man in the country should be taxed for that purpose, goes without saying.

THE BOSTON Standard, the national organ of the A. P. A., specially commends the action of the republican street commissioner of New York in appointing a negro as section foreman in charge of forty white men, many of them native citizens of the country, forced by necessity to work on the streets of that city. But there is no telling what men will not do who prescribe others on account of their religion or the country in which they were born.

INTELLIGENCE from Bolivia is to the effect that as there is a deficit in the revenue of the treasury of the government of that country, the President, as a means to supply it, has reduced his own salary and ordered a pro rata cut in that of all the other government officers. It is needless to say that the patriotism and the love of "the flag" of the federal officers of this country are not sufficient to induce them to do likewise.

WITH SHAD just out of the nets and still alive selling at twenty-five cents a pair, as they do on the streets here now, no body with a well conditioned palate cares a fig whether the price of beef be high or low. And then, too, at this season, when the animal man is throwing off the waste tissue of last winter, a fish diet is wholesome.

IF VOTERS incapable, either by ignorance or physical disability, of preparing their ballots, refuse to ask the assistance of the law officer stationed at the polls and paid for the express purpose of assisting them, they and they alone will be to blame; the law is all right.

The State Board of Dental Examiners, of which Dr. D. N. Rust, of this city is a member, finished their examinations in Richmond last Thursday night. The class numbered fourteen, one of whom was a lady from Pennsylvania, and twelve passed and were granted license to practice dentistry in the State. The work Thursday was in the line of practical dentistry, and the board being at a loss for a clinic, one of the capitol convict force volunteered "to take the chair." When he left it he had a good deal of gold in his mouth. All the dental schools now require a three-years' course of students, and the examination just closed was the most rigid and scientific one the board has ever subjected a class to.

During the heavy storm last night at Alliance, O., millions of angle worms fell, making the pavements so slippery that it was nearly impossible to walk on them. The storm caused a landslide 200 feet long in the Garfield cut on the Fort Wayne railroad, seven miles east of there, burying one of the tracks.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, April 13.

The deputy collector of internal revenue for the District of Columbia opened his office at 8 o'clock this morning, under instructions from the collector of the Maryland district, of which the Washington office is a branch. There was quite a rush at the office to-day to file returns, but the deputy expects a livelier time Monday. The returns to the Washington office will be interesting as determining just how many public men (provided with an income of more than \$4,000 a year) who have remained here after retirement from Congress or government office, will surrender claim to legal residence in the States from which they came.

Secretary Carlisle has appointed Andrew Baird, of Pennsylvania, assistant in the coast and geodetic survey at \$3,500. This is a promotion from the \$2,500 grade.

A fine pair of deer antlers were received at the White House to-day. They measured about five feet from tip to tip and came from some admirer of the President in Colorado.

The statement that Nicaragua has made a satisfactory reply to Great Britain's ultimatum is believed here to be correct. This closes an incident that might have resulted in innumerable complications to the United States.

Mrs. Bright, widow of the late ex-Senator Bright of Indiana, died at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. J. W. Nichols, of the Treasury Department, in this city this morning, aged 88 years.

The U. S. Consul at Gothenburg reports to the Department of State that Sweden has raised the duty on bread-stuffs, malt, cement, copper wire, electric cables and electric lamps.

Secretary Herbert has decided that two of the new torpedo boats shall be built at the Columbian Iron Works of Baltimore at the price of \$103,000 each. No information of a later or more definite character relative to the peace negotiations has been received to-day at either the Chinese or Japanese Legations. It is said that the final conclusions of the Japanese peace plenipotentiaries have been telegraphed by Li Hung Chang to Peking and that Japan has asked for a reply within one day. This may explain the dispatch from Peking that Japan has presented her ultimatum, giving China one day to act upon it. It is still contended that China will, if possible, postpone final action in the matter until the expiration of the armistice on the 20th inst.

At a numerously attended meeting of the Virginia democratic association of this city last night, the following resolution, introduced by Mr. R. N. Harper, after a long discussion, participated in by Messrs. Seiler, Harper, Thomas, Saunders, Crump, Monroe and Nelson, was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Virginia Democratic Association of the District of Columbia, in regular meeting assembled, with a purpose single to the welfare of the country and the party, deem the hour has struck to declare itself upon the burning issue of the times, Finance, do hereby

Resolve, That we reaffirm the principles of the Fathers, the Constitution and the democratic party to and in the money of the Constitution, by declaring in favor of both gold and silver as the standard money metals of the country, and the coinage of both without discriminating against either metal, at the ratio of 16 to 1;

Resolved Further, That this Association calls on all democrats to wage this battle inside of the party organization and be not led astray by false gods. And that the members of this association pledge themselves to do all in their power to elect such delegates to the democratic Presidential and congressional conventions as will insure the nomination in each case of men who have at all times shown their allegiance to the democratic party, and who will be favorable to the coinage of both gold and silver without discriminating against either.

Ex-Governor Cameron of Virginia is here to-day. He says the climate of Chicago is not congenial to him, and that he has taken his flight from there, but has not yet lighted. The Governor is in good spirits and seems to be in perfect health.

The District commissioners have granted the application of the Mt. Vernon electric railroad company to commence the work of laying its underground trolley system near the intersection of 13th and B streets.

The St. Asaph race track people, it is said here, have been notified by the New York Jockey Club, to substantiate their statement that it is not any of its proprietors are interested in the foreign book kept near that track, by affidavits, to be received by mail not later than Monday next, when they will be considered at a special meeting of the stewards to be called for that purpose.

W. F. Williams was appointed postmaster at Capon Road, Shenandoah county, Va., to-day, vice J. H. A. Cooper, resigned.

Commissioner Miller, head of the Internal Revenue Bureau, was at the White House to-day and passed some time with President Cleveland. It is stated that during the interview the President solved all questions as to the particular domicile he should claim in making his income tax return, New York, Buzzard's Bay, or Washington, by making his return "at large," and handing it to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue in person. The President, unlike Judge Hughes of Virginia, taxes himself on his salary, to the extent of \$9,200; though the Constitution says salaries shall not be reduced during the term of office.

DANCING IS NO SIN.—The Allegheny, Pa., Presbytery has placed itself on record as opposed to the theory that dancing is a sin. Miss Mary Ewalt, of Bakerstown Presbyterian Church, was dismissed because she danced and would not promise to refrain in the future. She appealed her case to the Presbytery, and was upheld, the decision being that dancing is a question of conscience. Dr. R. M. Means, of Pine Creek Church, who was expelled by his pastor for signing a liquor license application, was reinstated by the Presbytery.

Court of Appeals Yesterday.

Exchange and Deposit Bank of Abingdon, Va., and others vs. Fugate and others; appeal allowed to decree of Circuit Court of Washington county.

Clendenen vs. Conrad; further argued and submitted.

Clarke and others vs. Oliver and others; argued and continued.

In a canvass of the republican and democratic national committeemen, William McKinley, jr., and Adlai E. Stevenson led in the race for the respective presidential nominations.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Kansas City packers declare that a scarcity is the cause of the high price of beef.

Rachel Simms, colored, died at Dayton, Ohio, yesterday. Her son and other relatives say she was just 113 years old.

A Chicago syndicate is negotiating for 100,000 acres of land in Montgomery county, Ga., on which colonists from the West intend to settle.

The coroner at Covington, Ky., yesterday rendered a verdict of self-defense in the case of J. L. Sandford, who was killed on Thursday by State Senator William Goebel.

John Yengling attempted to shoot his wife at Minerva, O., yesterday. She escaped. He then began to beat his child, and shot and seriously wounded Thomas E. Booth, who attempted to rescue the child.

The Spanish authorities report that General Marceio, the insurgent leader, was defeated in an encounter with the Spanish troops in Cuba yesterday. General Marceio is reported to have been surrounded by the Spanish troops in the mountains.

Secretary Carlisle says: "There is no truth whatever in the report that I will be a candidate for a seat in the United States Senate from Kentucky. My relations with Senator Blackburn are of the most cordial nature, and I have never for a moment entertained the idea of opposing him."

Residents of Columbus avenue and 92d street, New York, are panic-stricken over the recent fires in that neighborhood, and the opinion is that there is a band of incendiaries at work. Seven fires occurred in 27 hours, and at one robbers found their way into the burning house.

A fatal riot occurred Thursday night at Siloam Springs, near Little Rock, Ark., among the railroad men employed on construction work. Two of the rioters were killed in self-defense by Deputy United States Marshal Proctor, and two men, who had previously quarreled among themselves, were fatally wounded by each other.

A German gentleman, whose wife and three children were drowned in the Elbe, has just made the voyage from Hamburg to Southampton on board the Ems. When the fatal spot where the Elbe went down was reached, the captain of the Ems slowed his ship so as to allow the bereaved husband and father to lower into the sea a great wreath of flowers, weighted with lead.

The "Saints," in session at Independence, Mo., are just now in a peck of trouble. It appears that a lengthy revelation purporting to be from God was received from Joseph Smith, a year ago, which made some important disclosures, and that the twelve in a body have not yet endorsed the revelation. The revelation in dispute says that the supposed vacancy in the presidency was not a vacancy in the eyes of God.

Consul T. M. Stephan, at Annaberg, Germany, has transmitted to the Department of State a report on the use of aspen wood in the manufacture of matches in Germany. He says pine, poplar, linden, birch and aspen are all employed in the manufacture of matches, but that aspen has made itself indispensable through its large structure, ready combustibility and freedom from knots.

President Cleveland has filled out his income tax blank and will probably make his return to-day. In it he has included his salary of \$90,000 as Chief Executive, on which the tax will be \$920, deciding to leave it to the paymaster to determine whether the payment of the 2 per cent assessment will be in violation of that provision of the federal constitution which says the compensation of the President shall not be increased nor diminished during the term for which he shall have been elected.

Masked robbers entered the farm house of Jeremiah Pitts in Russell, Pa., Thursday night. They chloroformed a hired man and awoke the farmer and his wife, and after dealing Mr. Pitts a blow they demanded money from the wife. Upon being refused they tied Mrs. Pitts to a bedpost, poured coal oil on her and held a lighted match to her clothing in order to compel her to reveal the hiding place of the treasure. She directed them to a bureau drawer where they found \$80, and after getting it they left. There was \$500 in gold in the house which the robbers failed to get.

ROAD DECISION TO BE TESTED.—The new Court of Appeals of Virginia having lately upset the decision of its predecessor in regard to the powers of magistrates in petty larceny and other minor crimes, is about to have another very important decision of the old court before it. Judge Christian of Appomattox has decided to make a case of the old court's decision that men could not be forced to work on the county roads. He has called the road overseers of Appomattox together and informed them that if the roads are not worked before June 1st he will fine every one of them, and he instructed them to report to him every man who is summoned to work on the roads and refuses to work, and he will fine him. The judge intends to enforce the old law and thus get it before the new Court of Appeals and see if it will reverse the old court's decision that it is unconstitutional. The result will be looked for with much interest all over the State.

DEATH OF MR. EASTER.—Mr. Hamilton Easter, founder and head of the firm of Hamilton Easter & Sons, one of the largest, oldest and most widely known houses in Baltimore importing and dealing in dry goods and notions, died at 6:30 o'clock last night at his home, "Springfield," near Baltimore. Death was caused by a complication of diseases incident to old age. Mr. Easter had been confined to his house for thirty-one weeks, and his death was not unexpected. He was eighty-four years of age and leaves a widow and eleven children. Mr. Hamilton Easter was born in the north of Ireland, and came to Baltimore when sixteen years of age, at once going into a dry goods house as clerk. He amassed quite a fortune.

Knights of the Maccabees.

The State Commander writes from Lincoln, Neb., as follows: "After trying other medicines for what seemed to be a very obstinate cough in our two children we tried Dr. King's New Discovery and at the end of two days the cough entirely left them. We will not be without it hereafter, as our experience proves that it cures where all other remedies fail." Signed F. W. Stevens, State Com. Why not give this great medicine a trial, as it is guaranteed to bring bottles free at R. S. Ledbetter & Sons' Drug Store, Regular size 50c and \$1.

PRINCE WILLIAM NOTES.

Rev. J. M. Nourse, who recently moved with his family from Washington to Manassas, will be formally installed as pastor of the Presbyterian Church there on Wednesday next at 7:30 p. m. The services that are to be held on that occasion are to be conducted by several prominent ministers from Washington.

Mr. John Woodyard died at the home of William Craig near Bristol on Saturday last. His death was due to injuries he sustained about a week previously from being thrown into a barbed wire fence while driving from Bristol to his home near that place. Mr. Woodyard had been married only about three months.

Ocoquan Creek was dredged last year and preparations for the construction of a dyke in it are now being made. When the dyke is completed vessels of large size will be able to get to Ocoquan without difficulty. I. W. Wilkins, government contractor, has from thirty to forty hands at work in the quarry above the village getting out rock for a stone dyke, to be placed just below the village.

Miss Gretta, the little daughter of Mr. C. A. S. Hopkins, of Manassas, was injured from an injury which was inflicted by the accidental discharge of an air gun Thursday. The young Miss was playing with the gun when the accident occurred. The ball passed into her mouth and knocked out several of her teeth, and becoming lodged inflicted a painful though not serious injury. —Manassas Gazette.

FAIRFAX NOTES.

Jos. L. Sanford has left Clifton and will umpire for the Virginia State League of baseball clubs this season.

The ladies of Fairfax C. H. will give a german in the mill next Monday night. A number of young ladies and gentlemen are expected from Alexandria.

Hunsberger & Fulmer have moved their sawmill from C. F. Ford's place, where they have been for the past year, down on Sandy Run on a piece of timberland belonging to John A. Marshall, of Alexandria.

Mr. R. E. Thornton has purchased five acres of land of Mr. A. J. Sagar, embracing a portion of the beautiful grove surrounding Fern Hall Academy, and will shortly commence the erection of a dwelling thereon.

Prof. S. A. Wallis, of the Theological Seminary, who will administer at Lincoln on the 19th of April the ordinance of baptism to all who wish it, will be followed by Bishop Newton the 22d of April to confirm the class.

The cornerstone of the Vale M. P. Church was laid with impressive ceremonies of the Church last Sunday afternoon. In the morning Rev. W. J. Floyd, of Clarksville, Md., preached an eloquent sermon to a good congregation. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock, he administered the communion to nearly one hundred communicants, after which the cornerstone was laid. —Fairfax Herald.

DOUBLE SUICIDE.—At three o'clock yesterday evening the dead bodies of a man and woman were found lying side by side on Jacob Duffy's farm, a few miles west of St. Louis, Mo. Their throats were cut and their faces stained with blood. By the side of the man was a revolver. At his feet was a box labeled "rat poison." The woman's hat was crushed and broken, and lay on the ground. Pinned to a ribbon was this note:

April 9.

We have decided to die together, and if one or the other should happen to recover, the other shall not be held responsible for the deed. We both are going to take poison, and I will do the shooting. We are not doing this on account of any love affair, but simply because we do not want to live any longer. This is all we have to say, and hope there will be no trouble. We remain, as ever, yours truly,

MR. LOUIS FRANK,
134 Cherokee street.

MISS KATE KOLB.

Frank was a carpenter and Miss Kolb was a country girl. They had been engaged for over a year. Examination revealed that each had been shot just above the heart. There were traces of poison on the lips of both. They had taken no chance of surviving. After swallowing the poison they had their throats cut with the sharp edge of a clasp knife. The man finished the girl's life by firing a bullet into her breast. He ended his own life in the same manner. Kate Kolb lived at 1837 Cherokee street. She and Frank had left home together last Wednesday. The girl left a note saying they were going to kill themselves, and ascribing love as the cause.

CHINA AND JAPAN.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says the Chinese government has informed Russia that it certainly will not subscribe to the peace conditions which have been laid down by Japan and which it considers much too onerous. China now has all her hopes upon external intervention, and this she urgently requests from the European powers, and especially from Russia.

The London Morning Post learns from Yokohama that unless peace be concluded during the present armistice the Japanese armies will advance upon Peking as soon as the armistice shall expire.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg says: "China regards Japan's conditions of peace as impossible, and is again taking diplomatic steps to obtain European intervention. She will make a special appeal to Russia, and it is stated upon reliable authority that Russia is firmly resolved to oppose Japan's plans to annex territory on the Asiatic continent. The increase of Russia's naval and military forces in the east was made to enforce respect of this determination."

Another dispatch says Russia has persons subject to attacks of bilious colic to learn that prompt relief may be had by taking Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In many instances the attack may be prevented by taking this remedy as soon as the first symptoms of the disease appear. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by L. Stabler & Co.

List of Unclaimed Letters.

The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice April 13.

Persons calling for letters will please say they are advertised.

Advertised letters not called for within two weeks will be sent to the dead letter office.

Alexander, Mrs. L. Robinson, Miss Aline Spelling, 2, W. H. Thompson, Edgar Taylor Frank O. Thompson, John L. Woodard, Mrs. Gusse Young, B. D.

Kelly, John, Robt. Lecky, jr., Robt.

C. C. CARLIN, P. M.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Foreign News.

LONDON, April 13.—A dispatch from Peking says that Japan has presented her ultimatum giving China one day in which to accept or refuse it. Japan has reduced the sum demanded for indemnity by \$1,000,000. The government officials are divided as to the acceptance of the Japan proposals. The situation is critical.

LONDON, April 13.—An answer to the British ultimatum to Nicaragua has been received at the foreign office. It is understood that the reply is so satisfactory that the action which the government threatened to take will not now be taken.

FRAGUE, April 13.—A disastrous fire occurred at Teopitz, the famous Bohemian watering place, yesterday, by which twenty-five hotels and boarding houses and a large number of residences were destroyed.

BERLIN, April 13.—A duel was fought to-day between Baron Von Reischach and Freiherr von Kotze. The latter received a bullet wound in the thigh, which is not serious. The encounter grew out of the scandals involving the arrest of Von Kotze some time ago on the charge of having written letters to prominent persons accusing them or their relatives of gross improprieties.

The Silverites.

CHICAGO, April 13.—General A. J. Warner, chairman of the national committee of the free silver party, and Congressman Sibley arrived at the Auditorium this morning. They were met by Charles Miller, Col. Turner, the leader of the free silver party of Michigan, and General Wolcott. This afternoon they will be joined by Senator Jones, of Nevada, and to-night they will leave for the west. To-day a conference will be held with some of the Chicago silver people to canvass the result of the anticipated democratic declaration on free silver in Illinois, and to set in motion the arrangements for a monster free silver mass meeting to offset the one being arranged for by the Chicago gold men.

English Aggression.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 13.—The suggestion that the United States acquire a protectorate over Venezuela, by consent of the Venezuelan people, the better to resist English aggression there, is not approved here or in Central America. As long as the United States maintains the Monroe doctrine that country is considered amply able to interfere to keep England from taking any territory from Venezuela or Nicaragua. Mexican public men think England's aim in her policy towards Nicaragua is to prevent the American government exercising exclusive dominion over the ship canal. England's pertinacity in maintaining her claims throughout South America is alienating sympathy from her.

Death of a Prominent Virginian.

PETERSBURG, Va., April 13.—William F. Spotswood, ex-president of the City Council and at the time of his death president of the school board of this city, died this morning at 1:35 o'clock after a protracted illness. He was a native of Petersburg and was 67 years of age. Mr. Spotswood was very wealthy. He had been engaged in the drug business in Petersburg for nearly half a century. A widow and five children survive him.

An Astronomical Discovery.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 13.—Professor Keeler, of the Allegheny observatory, has discovered that the ring of Saturn is made up of many small bodies, and the satellites of the inner edge of the ring move more rapidly than those of the outer edge. The professor will be able in a few days to give very accurately the rate of speed at which the different parts of the ring revolve.

THE COLLECTORSHIP.

The death of Captain Ham. Sheppard, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Western District of Virginia, will open up again a lively contest for the position. The place is not only one of the best in the State that is bestowed by the administration, as it pays about \$5,000, but it is quite an honor to fill it. There were more than a dozen candidates for the office in the spring of 1893, and the chances are that quite a number of the same aspirants will try their luck again. Among those who were candidates before were Mont. Rogers, of Roanoke; J. R. Jordan, G. A. Mushbach, of this city; Joseph H. Shepperd, of Richmond; John N. Opie, of Staunton; J. W. Foster, of Leesburg; R. K. Campbell, of Bedford; Joseph H. Nelson, of Fauquier; J. J. Jamieson, of this city; J. B. Evans, of Lynchburg; W. T. Ewing, E. S. Stanger, Lewis Harman, John M. Kioney, G. S. P. Triplett, of Culpeper, and Maj. Otey, of Lynchburg.

The recent determination of Mr. Cleveland that the clerks and deputies of the internal revenue service shall not be placed under the civil service law leaves this appointment a matter of political vantage ground in the State, and will be hotly contested.

The Washington correspondent of the Richmond Times says: "It is generally conceded that Gov. O'Ferrall was instrumental in the making up of the Virginia slate, for while he secured the appointment of Marshal G. W. Levi, he threw a vote to Joe Duke, of Norfolk county, after Jack Hudgins had received a sufficient vote to nominate him. The fight now will, in all probability, come up on the weird, half-discernible lines upon which the future party fight will be made. It is said here that Gov. O'Ferrall will support and urge Captain Mushbach, of this city, but the general conclusion of the delegation cannot be taken."

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A meeting of the City Democratic Committee will be held on MONDAY next, at 8 o'clock p. m., in the Market Building. Business of great importance will be transacted. All members are most earnestly requested to be present.

B. T. COOK, Secretary.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., April 12, 1895.

THE STEAMER HOWARD CASSARD will be launched from the Marine Railway, Alexandria, Va., at or about 2:15 o'clock p. m., MONDAY, April 15, 1895. I make this announcement in response to the request of people who desire to be present on the occasion. Respectfully,

ROBT. M. FRYER.

PURE LARD, our own make, 9c per lb. W. M. F. WOOLLS & SON.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

At Pittsburgh this morning oil opened 175 bid; first and lowest sale 190; highest 200, closed at 199.

A fire in the Capitol building at Springfield, Ill., this evening, badly damaged the Senate Chamber.

The town of Nettleton, Ark., was almost completely destroyed by fire at an early hour yesterday morning.

The motion for a new trial in the Hayward case came up in Minneapolis, Minn., this morning. Both sides submitted their briefs and Judge Smith took the papers and will announce his decision later.

News reached Pittsburgh, Pa., this morning that the McCormick No. 4 well in the Steubenville field came in this morning and will make one hundred barrels per day. This is high grade crude.

A house occupied by Samuel Hollis, in St. Clair township, Pa., was struck by lightning at a little before 4 o'clock this morning and was burned to the ground. Mr. Hollis and his family of six persons escaped without injury.

William O. McDowell, of the Columbian Liberty Bell Committee, has telephoned to members of the Parliament of Religion in Chicago placing the great Liberty and Peace Bell at the disposal of those who led in making so wonderfully successful the Columbian Exposition and the Parliament of Religions, for appropriate ceremonies the moment the news is received that China and Japan are at peace.

The Monongahela Tin Plate Company at Pittsburgh has introduced women into its works. They are known as separators and are under the direction of a woman who worked in the tin mills in Wales.

Michael Sheridan, a well-known flat race jockey, known on the turf as "Shorty," died at his home in Saratoga, N. Y., this morning.

In Memoriam.

Only an unexpected delay has prevented my presenting a small tribute of respect to the memory of the late Mr. CHARLES S. TAYLOR, of this city.

His earlier married life was spent in Jefferson county where many of his relatives, young and old, enjoyed his generous hospitality. After the war he removed to Alexandria where he passed the remainder of his life, living in our midst, where his gentle courtesy, kindness of spirit and high character made him what he was, "a gentleman of the old school."

He always expressed the greatest interest in the young, and his ready sympathy and kind advice made him beloved of them. He was, at one time, Associate Principal at Potomac Academy, and afterwards Private Secretary to Governor Holliday during his term of office.

His failing health caused his retirement from arduous duties and became the nucleus of a family circle, an instructor of the young where his influence was an exquisite perfume will linger for many, many years after his actual "passing away."

He was a sincere Christian, member of the Standing Committee of the diocese and a member of the Vestry of St. Paul's Church. The following lines will prove a more appropriate ending to the little sketch than anything said by the writer:

Why should we care for the dying,
That is but spring to life;
Why should we shrink from the struggle,
Pale at the swift-closing strife,
Since it is only beyond us,
Securely a step and a breath—
All that dear home of the living,
Guarded by what is called death!

There we shall leave the sweet meanings
Hidden to-day from our eyes,
There we shall wake like children
Joyous at gift and surprise.
Come, then, dear Lord, in the gloaming,
Or when the dawning is gray!
Take us to thy presence—
Only thyself lead the way!

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Alexandria Market, April 13.

There is a strong undertone, but no change in prices for leading articles of trade to-day. Flour is very firm. Wheat is active here and wanted at full figures. Corn is quiet but steady. Rye and Oats sell readily. There is a constant demand for all kinds of country produce. Groceries, meats and provisions, such as Milled and Hay are running down. Rye and Oats Straw are higher. Wheat Straw is very dull.

BALTIMORE, April 13.—Flour fairly active. Wheat dull; No 2 red spot and April 62 bid. May 60 3/4; July 59 3/4; steamer No 2 red 58 3/4; southern wheat by sample 61a 43; do on grade 59 1/2; 62 1/2. Corn easy; mixed spot and April 49 3/4; May 49 1/2; 50 1/2; southern 48 3/4; 49 1/2; southern white, corn 49 1/2; 50 1/2; do yellow 49 1/2; 50 1/2. Oats steady; No 2 white Western 37 1/2; asked; No 2 m 2nd 34 3/4; Rye dull; No 2 55a 59. Hay firm; demand fair; good to choice timothy \$13 00 to \$13 50. Provisions firm. Coffee and sugar unchanged.

NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS.

After a trial of six months, we, the undersigned, do hereby endorse the WELSHBACH INCANDESCENT GAS BURNER, both for its brilliancy of light and reduction of gas bills, being an actual saving of forty per cent. in gas bill besides the beautiful light it gives. It will burn on all kinds of gas; adopted by U. S. Government.

W. F. French, Ruben & Bro., Geo. A. Appleby, Calmes & Kraft, Acton & Bro., Tackett & Marshall, L. Stabler, L. Shuman; and numbers of others equally well pleased with the burner. For sale only by

F. A. & W. W. COGAN,

Plumbers, Gas & Steam Fitters.